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Alanford Nursery
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 NESHAMINY, BUCKS CO., PA.
 SIX MILES ABOVE WILLOW GROVE

We offer herewith many rare plants, never before offered to amateurs in small sizes and at ridiculous prices. They are easier to grow than perennials and for a few dollars and a few years' patience you can obtain a collection of plants that would cost hundreds at regular retail prices. Establish a small nursery in your garden, planting therein a number of items from this list; then in two to four years you will have something to give your friends produced by your hands and nothing is more appreciated as a gift by most people than a rare plant. So many rare and unusual plants are offered here that we can only give very short descriptions of their beauty. Most of them are described in Hotte's books on shrubs and trees, or in "Chinese" E. H. Wilson's book, Aristocrats of the Garden. Many of the plants listed here were introduced by Dr. Wilson. All plants packed well with wet peat moss or sphagnum moss.

For \$5.00 you can select \$8.00 worth of plants from this list. Prices include packing and postal charges. As we sell our plants at such low prices no order for less than \$2.00 will be accepted. No broken lots will be sold. Where order calls for 5 for 50 cts., one will not be sold for 10 cts. 5 must be ordered.

Owing to our careful packing with wet peat moss; the cost of Express and Parcel Post to points beyond Rocky Mountains, eliminate the profits. Therefore, please add 10% to remittances from these places.

The group containing Azaleas and Rhododendrons are easy to handle if planted in part shade, provided either by a building or a lath screen; this should be elevated 4' to 5' on stakes to provide free circulation of air underneath. Plant in a soil mixture containing 50% good light garden loam and 50% granulated peat moss or oak leaf mould. Water well after planting and mulch with leaf mould or peat moss. Do not cultivate but pick weeds out by pulling. Do not allow ground to get dry, but do not water too much or too often, there is a happy medium. These plants will all do well in part shade and also in sun. Cut off 75% of light for first 6 weeks and then 50%.

AZALEAS, RHODODENDRONS AND OTHER ACID LOVING PLANTS:

"Chinese" E. H. Wilson said, speaking of Azaleas, "They are not surpassed in wealth of blossom by any class of hardy shrubs. The flowers vary enormously in size in the different species and embrace all shades of every color except blue. In many the flowers are delightfully fragrant, — small wonder the desire to possess them is so general. No class of shrubs possess greater attractions, and given certain essential conditions and provided the varieties are perfectly hardy their culture is fairly simple."

A Philadelphia collection of Azaleas and Rhododendrons is visited each year by thousands of people who marvel at the brilliant, vivid colors and profusion of bloom, which is almost unbelievable, and yet for a few dollars and a bit of patience a more extensive range of colors and varieties is available from this list. Transplants are one to two years older than seedlings and will make a fair sized blooming plant in one or two years.

Azalea Altaclarence - clear yellow 3-6" - Transplants - 3 for 50 cents

" Cleopatra - large clear vivid pink flowers 2-2½" across 4-6" - 3 for 50 cents

" Ghent Hybrids, brilliant shades of orange, red and yellow 3-5" - Transplants - 3 for 50 cents

" Indica Alba - evergreen 4-6" - 3 for 50 cents

" Kaempferi Brick Red - very floriferous, best hardy azalea - semi evergreen.

" None more showy or hardy. 2-3" - 5 for 50 cents - 4-8" 3 for 50 cents

" Hinodegeri - evergreen foliage - brilliant carmine flowers - 4-6" - 3 for 50 cents

Azalea Kaempferi Arensidi Hybrids - evergreen Mauve (Transplants -) very large

" " " - evergreen Orchid (4-8" -) flowered

" " " - evergreen White (3 for 50 cents) clear

Azalea Mollis Deciduous, various shades of Salmon - 2-3" - 5 for 50 cents - 4-6" - 3 for 50 cents - 8-12" - 50 cents each

" Kurume Flowers of many unusual shapes, sizes and colors. A very rare plant - 2-5" - 5 for 50 cents

" Mucronulata 2-3" - 5 for 50 cents. Blooms with forsythia Deciduous Rose

" Poukhanensis - 2-3" - 5 for 50 cents - Purple Lilac Deciduous, single, grows easily Transplants of the following Azaleas 4-8" can be supplied at 3 for 50 cents: - Kaempferi, Mucronulata, Poukhanensis

Buxus, Old English Boxwood - Fine green foliage, often found on old colonial estates - Old plants, very valuable - 4-6" - 3 for 50 cents

Calluna, Scotch Heather - Give some to your Scotch friends, they love it - 2-3" - 5 for 50 cents

Ilex Opaca, American Holly - Bears red berry - Specimen plants very valuable - 12-15" - 50 cents - 6-8" - 5 for 50 cents - \$6.00 per 100 - would make marvelous hedges, can be clipped like Privet

Leucothoe Catesbaei - best colored foliage bronze red in winter, abundant lily of the valley like flowers - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents - 10-12" - 2 for 50 cents
Pieris Japonica, very beautiful evergreen shrub - 8-12" - 50 cents each - 3-4" - 4 for 50 cents - \$6.00 per 100
Rhododendron Hybrids from fine New England collection - Transplants - 2-3" - 3 for 50 cents various colors
" " from fine Philadelphia collection - various colors - Transplants - 2-3" - 3 for 50 cents - \$12.00 per 100
" *Catawbiense* - Rose color - Very hardy - 1-2" - 4 for 50 cents
" *Racemosa* - Dwarf Chinese plant - Flesh pink - Leaves small - 3-4" - 2 for 50 cents

In winter time American gardens present a dismal, naked sight that emphasizes the general dreariness of the season. Little of the beauty of spring, summer or fall remains. Yet it is so easy to change this with a few evergreen vines, shrubs and trees and some bright berried shrubs. With an attractive evergreen background, winter seems shorter and much more pleasant and nothing is a more beautiful sight than to see them partly covered with snow.

EVERGREEN TREES AND SHRUBS. Plant in any good soil. All should be well shaded for 2 months after planting with a lath shade or planted in part shade of a building. Mulch with either peat moss or leaf mould. Most of the following plants will make handsome specimens in three to four years.

The *Abies* or Firs are among the most beautiful of all evergreens, the trees forming regular pyramids and having their branches in whorls; in general appearance they are similar to the spruces. Much of the beauty of the Northland is due to the Firs.

Abies Concolor - long steel blue needles, the most beautiful native evergreen - 6-8" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Fraseri* - Southern form of Balsam Fir - 3-6" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Holophylla* - 4-6" - 4 for 50 cents - Rare and unusual.

" *Homolepsis* very rare, bluish needles - 6-10" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Nordmanni* - Handsomest of Firs - 8-10" - 3 for 50 cents

" *Veitchii* - 3-6" - 5 for 50 cents - has thick stiff needles - very formal

Barberry Julianae, best evergreen barberry 3-6" - 4 for 50 cents

Blue Atlas Cedar, most unusual shaped tree in the world, majestic, blue needles - 8-12" - \$1.00

Buxus Japonica - Jap box - large apple green leaves - 3-6" - 10 for 50 cents

Cryptomeria Lobbi Compacta, Jap Temple tree, very rare, characteristic shape 8-10" - 75 cents

Euonymus Patens (*Seiboldi*) - 3-4" berries like bittersweet - 10 for 50 cents

(Japanese Holly) - small pointed glossy leaves, grows in shade, retains color in winter, makes marvelous hedge - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents

Ilex Crenata, same as above but has large glossy leaves - 4" - 5 for 50 cents

" *Bullata* - Leaves like Boxwood - Will grow in shade - Very rare - 4" - 4 for 50 cents

Juniper Excelsa Stricta, spiny Greek Juniper, Blue - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents - stands cold climate

" *Depressa Plumosa* (*Andorra Juniper*) pleasing purple in winter 6-8" - 2 for 50 cents

Magnolia Grandiflora, large leaves like rubber plant, large white flowers, semi-hardy - 8-12" - 2 for 50 cents

Nandina Domestica, Heavenly bamboo, Bamboo like foliage, bright red berries, good red leaves in the fall 6-8" - 2 for 50 cents

Pachysandra Terminalis, best evergreen ground cover for very shady spots

10 for 50 cents - \$4.00 per 100

Photinia Glabra, semi-hardy, bronze semi-evergreen leaves, Red berries - 8-12" - 2 for 50c

The Pines or spruces are most attractive evergreen trees which introduce a horizontal note into landscape and give a wonderful variety of color and shapes. Both Firs and Spruces make majestic trees, are very symmetrical and keep a good color in winter.

Picea Canadensis, steel blue needles, will grow in coldest climate - 5-10" - 5 for 50 cents

" *Ghelenhi* - Sakhalin Spruce - Very hardy - 5-10" - 5 for 50 cents

" *Hondoensis*, yellow green, horizontal branches, rare - 2-5" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Koyami* or *Yatsugadake* Spruce - Narrow pyramidal habit - Very hardy - Good color - 4-8" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Orientals*, very short dark green needles, symmetrical pyramidal tree - 4-8" - 4 for 50 cents

Picea Ormocica, very rare and unusual, pyramidal - 4-8" - 4 for 50 cents

" *Pungens*, Colorado Blue Spruce - 3-4" - 5 for 50 cents

Pseudotsuga Douglassi - fine large conifer - soft bluish foliage - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents

Most Pines grow rapidly, some more rapidly than deciduous trees, making as much as 30 inches a year. Make good screens, backgrounds and the best possible windbreaks. With a good Pine border on the windward side, your home will seem 500 miles further South and you will be able to grow plants that are otherwise impossible. A windbreak of pines will make your home more comfortable and life more pleasant, by protecting it from the cold winds.

Pinus Austrica - 4-8" - very formal and beautiful - 5 for 50 cents

" *Mugo* - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents - Dwarf mountain pine

" *Resinosa* - 8-10" - 5 for 50 cents - Norway Red Pine, very dense dark green

Pinus Scotch - Very fast growing - blue green foliage - Very hardy - Good for screens - 3-5" - 5 for 50 cents

Pyracantha Lalandi evergreen firethorn - 6-8" - 2 for 50 cents - Orange red berries
Retinispora Leptooclada, interesting fern like green foliage, very rare - 12-18" - 2 for 50 cents
Retinispora Pisifera Aurea - Graceful golden feathery foliage - 6-8" - 4 for 50 cents
" " *Plumosa Aurea* - Plume like golden foliage - 6-8" - 4 for 50 cents
" " *Green*, plume like foliage - 6-8" - 4 for 50 cents
Taxus Cupidata - Japanese Yew, spreading form - 4-6" - 5 for 50 cents
Most permanent hedges. The fine hedges in England are Yew hedges. A Yew hedge will add thousands to the value of an estate. Bears red drupes.
Taxus Cupidata, similar to above, but upright in growth - 3-4" - 5 for 50 cents
Thuya Elegantissima - golden edged Arbor Vitae - 6-8" - 5 for 50 cents
" *Occidentalis* - American Arbor Vitae - 6-8" - 6 for 50 cents - \$5.00 per 100
" *Globosa* - Globe Arbor Vitae 6-8" - 6 for 50 cents
Thuya Pyramidalis - best Pyramidal Arbor Vitae, good green winter color - 6-12" - 4 for 50 cents
" *Vervaines* - 3-5" - 7 for 50 cents
Thuya Orientalis Compacta - Rich dark green foliage - Grows tall and slender - 5-10" - 5 for 50 cents
Tsuga Carolina - Dense form of Hemlock - Light green, very handsome and hardy native plant - 6-8" - 4 for 50 cents
" *Canadense* - Our native Hemlock - 3-6" - 5 for 50 cents
Viburnum Rhytidophyllum (Leatherleaf snowball) red berries, very striking shrub.
The evergreen leaves are 8" long - 4-6" - 2 for 50 cents
Deciduous Flowering Trees - plant both trees and shrubs in any good soil. Water well after planting. Words cannot describe the beauty of the showy trees. Shade well 1st 2 months except crabs.
Almond, Flowering, pink rose like flowers - 12-15" - 50 cents each
Asimina Triloba - Paw Paw - Very large foliage, purple flowers, large edible fruits - 10-12" - 5 for 50 cents
Apples Flowering Crabs give a marvelous display of flowers, colored leaves and berries. We offer the following varieties, each one is really different - 50 cents each:
Atrosanguina, carmine, yellow fruits; *Elyi*, red foliage in spring, purple flowers, large purple fruits; *Sargentii*, dwarf, white flowers, clear small red fruits; *Spectabilis*, upright growing tree, clear pink flowers; *Schedeckeri*, shell pink; *Parkman*, pink dwarf. All above - 18-24".
Apples - *Coronaria*, profusion of pink flowers, *Hopa*, purple flowers, *Niedzwetzkyana* deep pink flowers, red fruit, *Toringo*, white flowers and showy cherry-like fruit in great abundance - All 12-15" - All 25 cents each
Beech American - Beautiful light gray bark - interesting winter and summer - 12-15" - 2 for 50 cents
Beech European - Makes handsome tree - Gray bark - 8-12" - 2 for 50 cents
Beech-purple, beautiful bronze foliage makes marvelous specimen tree - 8-10" - 75 cents
Birch White - Very white bark, contrasts well with evergreens - 15-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Birch Red - Interesting shaggy red brown bark - 15-18" - 4 for 50 cents
Chionanthus Virginica, Fringe Tree - Bears an abundance of fringe like flowers - 12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Cladrastes Leuta, yellow wood tree - Bears racemes of white flowers - Leaves turn bright yellow in fall - 12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Cercis Canadensis, Red Bud Tree - rosy pink pea like flowers - 12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Dogwoods, Pink, large pink flowers followed by red berries, good fall foliage - 10-12" - 75c
" Single white, common - 18-24" - 25 cents, good fall foliage, red fruits
relished by birds
Franklin Tree, America's rarest tree, large white flowers with golden center, from August until frost and brilliant red foliage in fall - 8-12" @ 75 cents
Gingko, *Biloba*, Maidenhair Tree - Picturesque columnar tree, fern shaped leaves - one of the most unusual trees ever brought from China - 4-8" - 5 for 50 cents
Koelreuteria Paniculata (Golden Rain Tree) bright yellow flowers in July - 12-15" - 2 for 50 cents
Laburnum Vulgari - long racemes pea shaped flower (golden chain tree) - 8-12" - 3 for 50 cents
Liquidamber Styraciflora, sweet gum tree - Star shaped leaves which turn brilliant red in fall; also peculiar corky like fins on bark - 12-15" - 4 for 50 cents
Magnolia Stellata, beautiful star shaped flowers, very showy - 8-10" - 75 cents
" *Soulangeana*, very large, pink flowers, most showy tree growing - 10-12" - 75 cents
" " *Nigra*, dark purple flowers - 12-15" - 75 cents - 15-18" - \$1.00
Oak, Red - Fast growing - Stately spreading symmetrical - Good color - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
" *Scarlet* - Graceful drooping pyramidal tree - Cut leaves - Good fall color - 10-12" - 3 for 50 cents
Maple Japanese blood red, very showy - 8-10" - 75 cents
" red cut leaf, interesting foliage - 8-10" - 75 cents
Photinia Villosa - 12-18" (Christmas Berry) good fall color - bright orange berries - 4 for 50 cents
Prunus Tomentosem - Nanking Cherry - Lovely pink flowers followed by delicious tart cherries - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents

Sorbus Americana - American Mountain Ash - Red fruits in quantity - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
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Sorbus Acuparis (Mt. Ash) orange berries - 10-15" - Very showy - 2 for 50 cents - European
Sorrel Tree, the most brilliant red fall foliage and a profusion of white flowers in graceful
racemes - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Stewartia Monodelphia, of Japanese origin - Brilliant red leaves in fall - Flowers white,
purple center - 6-12" - 2 for 50 cents
Stewartia Pentagyna, rare native tree, large showy white flowers, golden yellow center,
somewhat similar to Dogwood - 15-18" - 50 cents
Styrax Japonica - Japanese Snow Bell Tree - Large quantities of pendent snow white flowers,
very graceful and picturesque - 9-12" - 3 for 50 cents
Tilia Cordata - Attractive Linden tree - Small leaves, green above and silvery below -
15 - 18" 3 for 50 cents
Ulmus Fulva, Slippery Elm - Handsome trees, inner bark used in medicine - 12-15" -
4 for 50 cents

SHRUBS

Abelia Grandiflora, semi evergreen with arbutus like flowers - 8-12" - 2 for 50 cents
Aronia Arbutifolia - Dwarf shrub, many red berries - 12-18" - 4 for 50 cents
Barberry (Japanese) 10-15" - 10 for 50 cents
Barberry Red - same as green, but has purplish red leaves - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Callicarpa Japonica - bears large quantities of bright violet fruits - 12-18" -
4 for 50 cents
Cotoneaster Dielsiana - Coral red berry - 6-12" - 2 for 50 cents
" Bullata, Evergreen - red berry - 12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
" Divaricata - Red berries, hardy - 6-12" - 3 for 50 cents
" Hupensis - 6-12" - 3 for 50 cents - Red berries
" Microphylla - Small evergreen leaves, red berries - 9-12" - 3 for 50 cents
Cercis Chinensis - Dwarf, very floriferous, reddish pea like flowers - 8-15" -
2 for 50 cents
Cydonia Japonica - Japanese flowering quince - Scarlet flowers in April - An old-fashioned
shrub - 12-15" - 5 for 50 cents
Dirca Paulustris - Large leather-like leaves - 12-15" - 4 for 50 cents
Crape Myrtle Red - 8-12" - lovely crepe like pink, red and purple flowers - 2 for 50 cents
Euonymus Americana, Brook Even, strawberry like fruits with red heart - 10-12" -
4 for 50 cents
Euonymus Yedensis - Chinese Spindle Tree - Bears masses of bright pink berries with a
red heart, very unusual - 4-8" - 5 for 50 cents
Exochorda Grandi Flora, dazzling white pearl like flowers - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Forsythia Spectabilis, new most floriferous Forsythia, rich golden yellow - 12-15" -
4 for 50 cents
Kolkwitzia Amabilis - The beauty bush covered with clear pink honeysuckle-like flowers;
similar to, but finer than the Weigelias - 12-15" 3 for 50 cents
Lilacs, French, various colors, sure to bloom, large flowers
" French Hybrids, Chas. Joley, semi-double red purple - 9-12"; Pres. Grevey, blue,
double; Me. Lemoine, double white; Chas. X, reddish purple single; Ludwig
Spaeth, single red purple; Marie Le Graye, White, single; Rubra Major,
Reddish, Rosea Grandiflora, Pink - All hybrids 8-12" - 2 for 50 cents
Lilacs, Josikai - Blooms after other lilacs are through, with quantities of lilac-colored
flowers - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
" Rothomagensis, Chinese Lilac - Bears large quantities of large violet flowers -
12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Mock Orange, virginal, beautiful semi double white flowers, intermittently all summer -
12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Ilex Verticillata - Black Alder, a deciduous Holly with bright scarlet red berries,
very showy - 12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Ilex Si boldi - similar to above, but smaller fruit and a different type of growth - 6-12" -
3 for 50 cents
Viburnum Dilatatum - good foliage - bears lot of scarlet fruit - very hardy - 6-12" -
3 for 50 cents
Viburnum Americana - American Cranberry, bears quantities of clear red berries -
9-12" - 5 for 50 cents
Tamarix Pentandra - Gallic Tamarix - Delicate pink flowers, late in summer, feathery foliage
12-18" - 3 for 50 cents
Vitex Negunda Incisa - lilac flowers in fall, deeply cut leaves - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
Weigelia Floribunda - quantities of dark crimson flowers - dwarf - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents
" Varigata - variegated foliage - pink flowers and dwarf - 12-15" - 3 for 50 cents

VINES

Bittersweet Jap., quantities of orange red fruits on irregular branches - 12-15" -
5 for 50 cents
Ivy Baltic, better color, much hardier than English Ivy - 4-8" - 5 for 50 cents
Jasmine Nudiflora, evergreen, small Forsythia like flowers in February - 12-18" -
3 for 50 cents
Wistaria - Pink clusters of flowers - 18-24" long - 12-18" grafts - 75 cents